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## COUNTY AGENTS ARE BIG MONEY MAKERS FOR FARMERS.

Annual reports of Tennessee county agents covering their activities for 1920 show a vast amount of work done and many definite things for the betterment of the great agricultural industry of the State accomplished.

The outstanding features of the activities of these agents who spends three fourths of their time in the field demonstrate the great service that they are rendering.

Twelve county agents assisted farmer in arranging for the purchase of 78 cars of feedstuffs, 584 cars of fertilizer, 52 cars of ground limestone. They also assisted in the sale of 46 cars of cattle, 354 cars of hogs, 494 cars of sheep, 42 cars of strawberries, 92,759 pounds of wool, and 1,119,375 pounds of butter thru cooperative organizations. In all market transactions the agent is an advisor, and it is not an officer of the marketing organization.

Under the direction of the county agents 24 different crops were cultivated 2,771 farmers, and 32,905 others were directly influenced by the work. Some average yields per acre were: corn 46.9 bushels on 5,702 acres, seed cotton 1,095 pounds on 668 acres, oats 35 bushels on 163 acres, barley 31 bushels on 429 acres, wheat 17 bushels on 483 acres, clover and grass 2.41 tons on 206 acres, red clover 2.41 tons on 2,106 acres, crimson clover 2.1 tons on 2,721 acres. With the advice of county agents, 416 orchards were pruned and 231 were sprayed.

A better balanced ration was fed by 872 farmers, having 5,864 cows; 1,298 cows were tested; 27 agents report a total of 743 bulls and 6,221 cows of purebred dairy breeds. Farmers were assisted in selling 1,463 purebred hogs by 26 agents. Agents induced 749 farmers to start the growing of grazing crops for hogs for the first time. A total of 1,417 purebred boars were reported by 32 agents, and 23 agents reported 688 purebred bucks and 1,388 purebred ewes in their counties.

In the control of livestock diseases 1,712 cattle were treated for black-leg and 961 for tuberculosis in 16 counties; 14,534 hogs were inoculated and 13,877 were treated for lice; 901 sheep were treated for stomach worms. Of these only 106 animals were treated by county agents, the remainder being treated by cholera-permit holders and veterinarians, called in by advice of the county agents.

During the year 30 agents advised 5,872 farmers on the use of fertilizers and 1,755 tons of fertilizers were brought cooperatively in 10 counties with a total saving of \$8,254.22. Reports of 25 agents show 2,294 manure spreaders in use in their counties; 43 manure sheds built; 3,462 farmers using phosphate to reinforce manure, and 1,909 taking better care of manure. A total of 3,578 silos in their counties were reported by 34 agents, while 24 agents report 1,379 water systems and 1,290 lighting systems in farm homes.

New pastures containing 3,128 acres were reported by 21 agents on 359 farms; also 166 farmers

have terraced 2,807 acres of land, and 107 have drained 321 acres by tile and 2,146 by open ditches. In 12 counties 26 road improvement demonstrations are given.

There was enrolled a total of 1,008 boys in corn clubs by 22 county agents, of whom 452 completed the work and reported an average yield per acre of 62.13 bushels, while 29 boys made 100 bushels or more per acre. Fourteen agents reported 711 boys and girls in pig clubs, of whom 356 completed the work.

Four agents had 64 boys and girls in baby beef clubs and 50 in dairy calf clubs. A total of 36,422 visits to demonstrators, club members, and others were made by 39 county agents. Also they responded to 40,895 personal calls for advice. They held 2,936 meetings with approximate attendance of 229,447.

The above by no means covers the many activities of the agents and their great work in promoting cooperation among the farm people thru meetings and the formation of community organizations, clubs, etc. Neither does it include the work of the demonstration agents with the farm women. They have accomplished some excellent results about which a later story prepared by the Division of Extension will tell.

## Cumberland Valley Improvement Association Hold Meeting at Burnside.

Definite plans for the development of the Upper Cumberland in Kentucky were formulated Friday at an all-day meeting of the Cumberland Valley Improvement Association at Burnside, Ky., according to A. Goodman, chief clerk to Maj. J. L. Schley, local U. S. engineer, who represented Major Schley at the meeting.

More than 200 Kentuckians gathered to make arrangements to meet Government requirements for the building of five locks on the Cumberland in Kentucky. They came with the idea of giving their money. Mr. Goodman says, and they willingly took up the work of guaranteeing the Government against any flowage claims that may accrue after the locks are constructed.

Attending the meeting yesterday were Colonel Morrow of the U. S. army, who represented his twin brother, Governor Morrow of Kentucky, and Congressman Robison of Kentucky. They made enthusiastic talks on the improvement of the river will mean the state and nation.

Russell County of Kentucky organized during a committee meeting yesterday and established a trust fund which is its part of the Government flowage guarantee. Other counties are expected to follow suit.

"When the locks are established in the Upper Cumberland the value to Kentucky, Tennessee, and the entire nation is inestimable," said Mr. Goodman this morning. "They will open up a vast territory in the two states where now surplus food stuffs rot on the ground because there is no means of transporting them to the markets. River traffic will settle this question forever."—Tennessean.

## High Schools Meet At Gainesboro April 1 and 2.

### Two Big Days Are Anticipated By The Schools That Are Preparing To Enter The Various Contests.

The High Schools of this county have perfected an organization, known as "The Jackson County Annual High School Meet." As is indicated by the name, the schools composing this organization: Gainesboro, High School, North Springs, Wartrace and Granville, will meet once each year at the county seat and in a spirit of friendly rivalry contest for the championship of the county, in both literary and athletic events. The school winning the greatest number of points will be considered the champions of the county and will be awarded a banner, which they may hold as long as they continue to be the holders of first place. In case the winning school should lose their place in the first place in any Meet, then they must surrender the banner to those who do win for that year.

The first Meet will be held on April 1st and 2nd, and will no doubt be a great success, as all the schools will be represented, and are all at work with great zeal getting ready to win first place and to make the organization of a great success. All schools officials are cordially invited and all parents and friends of the pupils are urged to be present in order that they may see the progress that their children have made and are continuing to make. This meet marks and advances movement of the schools of the

county and will be the means of inspiring many boys and girls of this county to strive to do their best and will give them development that those who fail to have such opportunities will be deprived of.

Competition is the life of all industry and competition in school work of this kind will raise our schools to a standard that will give us a county educational system that cannot be surpassed. Ere long we will successful men in every profession and vocation of life, who will point back and tell you that their first inspiration and first desire to excel was planted, when their souls burned in their eagerness to beat their competitors while they were in school. Medals will be given to the winners of first place in each event. There will also be a medal given to the contestant who wins the greatest number of points.

There will be interesting contests in every phase of literary and athletic work and we are expecting an especially hard hard one in the debate and also the basketball games.

Let's every one come and have a great time. The State Supt. will be present and will have some excellent things to suggest, that will go to make and establish an accredited four year High School, which above all things this county needs most.

### OFFICIAL PROGRAM.

Friday, April 1, 9 A. M.

Innovation—Rev. K. A. Early.

Welcome Address—To be supplied.

Response—To be supplied.

Spelling Match—Four representatives from each school.

Declamation—One declaimer from each school. Limit on declamation ten minutes.

Oration—One orator from each school. Limit of oration twelve minutes.

Reading—Girl under 10 years.

Reading—Girl under 14 years.

Reading—One contestant from each school. Limit of reading fifteen minutes.

Vocal solo.

Vocal duet.

Quartette—One quartette from each school. Any selection.

Friday Afternoon, 1 P. M.

100 yard dash—Two boys from each school.

220 yard dash—Two boys from each school.

440 yard dash—Two boys from each school.

1 mile race—Two boys from each school.

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Broad jump—Two boys from each school.

High jump—Two boys from each school.

Shot Put—Two boys from each school.

Friday Night, 7 O'clock.

Piano Solo—Girl or boy under fourteen years.

Piano Solo—Girl or boy over fourteen years.

Debate—"Resolved, that the United States should prohibit all immigration." Three speakers from each school, boys or girls. Limit to speaking twelve minutes. Five minutes rebuttal.

Saturday, April 2, 9:30 A. M.

Basket Ball—Boys.

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Contest for championship by each team of boys and girls.

Saturday 1 P. M.

Baseball—Boys. Contest for championship.

Judges and referees for all events will be selected from outside the county and will be made satisfactory to all schools entering the contests.

Any changes that are made in the program, or any additions, will be made subject to the approval of all the schools entering the contests.

Following are the rules and regulation which will govern the various contests in the high school meet:

FIRST.

That the Gainesboro, Granville, North Springs and Wartrace high school are eligible to any and all contests.

SECOND.

No person who is not a member

of the high school with which he is affiliating in this Meet shall be permitted to enter into any contest in any manner.

No teacher shall be permitted to contest in any event in any manner.

THIRD.

There shall be contests in basket ball, base ball, foot races, jumping, shot put, and any others that can be arranged in athletics.

There shall be contests in literary work, consisting of music, both instrumental and vocal, debate, declamation, essays, spelling, etc.

FOURTH.

The winner of first place in each event shall be entitled to five points, second place three points, third place one point, in case as many as three schools enter; otherwise, if there are only two schools enter, first place shall count five points and second place nothing.

Basket ball, baseball and debate are excepted from the above rule. In each of these events winner will receive ten points for first place and six points for second place and three points for third place. In case only two schools enter in the meet, then the second place shall be eliminated.

FIFTH.

An admission of twenty-five cents will be charged for each program. Contestants and teachers admitted free to all program. The admission fees are to pay the expenses of judges, prizes or medals and for other necessary expenses that may accrue.

## Family Have Narrow Escape From Burning House.

Walter Rush and family, who resides on the Gainesboro and Double Springs road about 5 miles south of Gainesboro, narrowly escaped being burned to death Saturday night, when their home and its contents, were destroyed by fire.

The origin of the fire is not known, but Mrs. Rush is of the opinion that it caught from a chunk that had fallen from the cooking stove sometime after supper, as she had used wood too long for the stove in preparing the meal.

Sheriff Spurlock and commissioner George Draper who happened to be passing, saw the fire and ran to the house, waking the family in time for them to escape being burned to death. A high wind made it impossible to save anything.

Mr. Rush had worked in the oilfields in different parts of the country, and by good management, had saved enough money to buy him a home and furnish it nicely and was just getting in shape to live comfortably. While he carried \$1,250.00 insurance, his loss will amount to more than the insurance.

Mr. Rush has purchased new furniture and has moved to residence occupied by Benton Walker. Mr. Walker has moved to his father-in-laws, G. G. Haile, below town.

What is the difference between an accepted and a rejected lover? One kisses his miss, the other misses his kiss.

All the world loves the lover who knows enough not to perform in public.

## SLICKER SNAKE TAKES A WHACK AT THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

The Whizzer always strives to play up on the right side of every question.

Every since I've been its editor, I have always endeavored to treat every question that comes up in a fair and impartial way, and I really do not believe that there has lived a man, with black eyes or blue, in the U. S. A., since the lad that cut down the cherry tree with his little hatchet, that would come nearer telling the truth than myself about what he thinks.

I am very circumspect in my ways. I, at all times, keep one eye on the earth and the other on heaven, so that when I leave here, I can go there. I would not harm a hair on any ones head. I scarcely indulge in one word of criticism, but it does seem that our law-makers did a little wrong about that "Personal Property Tax Bill," that sought to have all the holders of notes and moneys to pay their just part of the tax to Caesar's men.

Still, I do not wish to pick a crow's-foot with this Legislature and speak harsh words about them, for the good Lord knows that they are at all times censured enough.

They are nearly always between two fires and any way they turn they are scorched.

It is a matter with them that they are bedamned if they do and bedamned if they don't, bedamned if they will and bedamned if they wont. So I do not wish to heap the coals up around their unhallowed heads any hotter, but it does look like they have stepped away off to the left on this matter of taxing personal property. It does look like they should have made the personal property gang stepped forward and paid their just part of the tax and take a little more of the burden off of the shoulders of the man that makes their Irish potatoes and supplies them with their hash.

What is sauce for the gander is sauce for the goose. They have voted this thing down but it will be only for the moment.

According to the eternal fitness of things right will prevail.

Some where down the future this thing will be fixed, and then it will be walk up Johnny and take your medicine.

This is a consumation devoutly to be wished.

I feel that there is something just a little bit wrong about this thing.

I very much fear that there is some one not getting ready to die.

The Just Slicker Snake.

P. S. This article undoubtedly shows that I am a friend to the farmer, that fellow that makes the corn dodger that my wife knocks me down with.

## DOG LAW STILL IN FORCE.

Although the "Dog Law," as pertaining to Jackson County, has been repealed by the present session of the Tennessee Legislature, the law is still in force and every person in the county owning a dog will have to pay on it this year. There is no provision in the Act repealing the law, that releases any one

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